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[Translation]

Infrastructure Facilities

6568.DR. G.R. SARODE: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have chalked out any infrastructural facility of some capital nature in all States to safeguard the interests of the Judiciary;
 - (b) if so, the action taken so far in this regard; and
- (c) the funds provided for the purpose in the next financial year ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI RAMAKANT D. KHALAP): (a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) A Centrally Sponsored Scheme for the development of infrastructural facilities for the judiciary is being implemented since 1993-94. The scheme aims at supplementing the efforts of the States Governments and is confined to construction of Court Buildings and residences for the Judges/Judicial Officers. Under this Scheme, Rs. 180.43 crores has been released to various States/UTs from 1993-94 to 1996-97.
- (c) A provisional outlay of Rs. 50.00 crores has been provided for this scheme for the current financial year i.e. 1997-98.

[English]

Hindustan Machine Tools

6569.SHRI RAMESH CHENNITHALA : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

- (a) whether there is any proposal for expansion of Hindustan Machine Tools; and
 - (b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) and (b) Hindustan Machine Tools (HMT) has projected an investment of Rs. 516 crores during the 9th Plan period for the modernisation and expansion of its various business groups.

[Translation]

Production of Bidis

6570. SHRI VIRENDRA KUMAR: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) the State-wise total production of Bidis in the country during each of the last three years;
- (b) whether the Government propose to formulate any scheme for increasing the production of Bidis in Madhya Pradesh; and
 - (c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) Based on information on cess collection, the estimated production of Bidis in the country during 1994-95, 1995-96 and 1996-97 has been 41533 crores, 40830 crores and 41780 crores numbers respectively. The Statewise break-up of production is not available.

(b) and (c) Facilities and incentives given by the Government are available for growth and development of Bidi industry in Madhya Pradesh also. There is no specific plan for increasing the production of bidis in Madhya Pradesh.

[English]

Use of Restricted Chemicals as Textiles Dyes

6571. SHRI RAMASHRAYA PRASAD SINGH: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government are planning to ban the use of restricted chemiclas in textile sector;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI R.L. JALAPPA):

(a) to (c) Yes Sir. The handling of 70 azo dyes has been prohibited under clause (d) of sub-section (2) of Section 6 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (26 of 1986) read with rule 13 of the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986 vide Notification No. S.O. 243 (E) dated 26th March, 97. The prohibiton on the handling of such azo dyes shall come into force on the expiry of a period of 90 days from the date of issue of the Notification.

[Translation]

Approval for setting up Industries

6572. SHRI PUNNU LAL MOHLE: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the industry-wise and State-wise approvals
 accorded by the Union Government to set up industries
 in various States during the last two years;

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- (b) the State-wise and industry-wise details of the proposals under consideration; and
- (c) the time by which the approval is likely to be given in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) Statement I and II showing the number of Letters of Intent (LOIs) issued during the Period 1995-96 and 1996-97 (industry-wise and state-wise are enclosed.

- (b) Statement III and IV showing the number of Industrial Licence applications pending as on 31st March, 1997 (industry-wise and state-wise are enclosed.
- (c) All steps are taken for the speedy disposal of applications. Actual disposal of applications depend on the sectoral policy adopted by the Administrative Ministry, their recommendations in specific cases and also furnishing of relevant information by the applicants.

Statement-I

The Number of Letters of Intent Issued (Industry-wise) during the period 1995-96 & 1996-97

Sch.Ind. No.	Name of the Scheduled Industry	Total
1	2	3
01.	Metallurgical Industries	20
02.	Fuels	40
05.	Electrical Equipments	19
06.	Telecommunications	18
07 .	Transporation	23
08.	Industrial Machinery	11
09.	Machine Tools	1
10.	Agricultural Machinery	2
12.	Misc. Mechanical & Engg. Industries	13
13.	Commercial Office & House hold equpts	1
19.	Chemicals (Other than fertilizers)	96
22 .	Drugs & Pharmaceuticals	18
23.	Textiles	220
24.	Paper & Pulp	19

1	2	3
25.	Sugar	202
26.	Fermentation Industry	1
27 .	Food Processing Industry	29
28.	Vanaspathi Vegetable Oil & Fats	4
29.	Soap Cosmetics & Toilery	4
30.	Rubber Goods	6
31.	Leather	43
33.	Glass	1
34.	Ceramics	5
35.	Cement & Gypsum Products	23
36.	Timbeer Products	20
37.	Defence Industries	1
38.	Miscellaneous Industries	11
	Total	851

Note: Sch.Ind. No. Scheduled Industry Number

Statement-II

The LOIs Issued (State-wise) for the years 1995-96 and 1996-97

S.No.	Name of the State	Total
1	2	3
01.	Andhra Pradesh	91
02.	Arunachal Pradesh	1
03.	Assam	2
04.	Bihar	11
05.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	4
06.	Daman & Diu	3
07.	Delhi	2
08.	Goa	3
09.	Gujarat	54
10.	Haryana	40
11.	Himachal Pradesh	4

1	2	3
12.	Jammu & Kashmir	1
13.	Karnataka	75
14.	Kerala	11
15.	Madhya Pradesh	23
16.	Maharashtra	111
17.	Orissa	15
18.	Pondicherry	10
19.	Punjab	51
20.	Rajasthan	12
21.	Tamil Nadu	182
22.	Uttar Pradesh	120
23.	West Bengal	25
24.	Other States/UTs	NIL
	Total	851

Statement-III

The Pending IL Applications Industry-wise as on 31.03.1997

Schedule Industry No.	No.of Applications pending
1	2
Metallurgical Industries	3
Fuets	13
Electrical Equipment	4
Transporation	1
Machine Tools	2
Misc. Mech. & Engg. Industries	1
Commercial Office & House hold Eq	pt. 1
Chemicals (Other than Fert.)	.29
Drugs & Pharmaceuticals	10
Textiles.	19

1	2
Paper & Pulp	4
Sugar	286
Fermentation Industry	99
Food Processing Industry	5
Soap Cosmetics & Toilet Prep.	1
Leather:	3
Glue & Gelatin	1
Cement & Gypsum Products	12
Timber Products	4
Miscellaneous Industries	3
Total	501

Statement-IV

The Pending IL Applications State-wise as on 31.03.1997

S.No.	Name of the State/UT	Appl. pending
1	2	3
01.	Andhra Pradesh	36
02.	Arunachal Pradesh	1 .
03.	Bihar	12
04.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	2
05.	Daman & Diu	3
06.	Goa	5
07.	Gujarat	10
08.	Haryana	21
09.	Himachal Pradesh	3
10.	Jammu & Kashmir	2
11.	Karnataka	67
12.	Kerala	4
13.	Madhya Pradesh	44
14.	Maharashtra	45

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1	2	3
15.	Manipur	1
16.	Meghalaya	1
17.	Nagaland	1
18.	Orissa	4
19.	Pondicherry	1
20.	Punjab	11
21.	Rajasthan	9
22.	Tamil Nadu	69
23.	Uttar Pradesh	135
24.	West Bengal	12
25.	More Than One State	2
26.	Othrr States/UTs	NIL
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[English]

Power project in Nalgonda District of Andhra Pradesh

6573.DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY: Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Solarex, a US based Company, propose to set up a mini power plant with an estimated power generation capacity of 32 MW in Nalgonda district of Andhra Pradesh;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any agreement has been signed in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the total cost of expenditure involved therein; and
- (e) the extent, to which the power is likely to be generated by this project ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (CAPT. JAI NARAYAN PRASAD NISHAD): (a) to (c) As per information received from the State Government, no such proposal has been received from the US-based company Solarex.

(d) and (e) Does not arise.

Solar Energy

6574. SHRI MANIKRAO HODLYA GAVIT: Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether an Indian-Canadian engineer has invented a solar energy device that coult help to provide clean and inexpensive power to energy-starved villages;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (c) the reaction of the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (CAPT. JAI NARAYAN PRASAD NISHAD): (a) to (c) Prof. Anand Sharan of the Memorial University, New Foundland, Canada has developed a tracking system for use in solar photovoltaic power systems. The system can be used to move solar panels during the day so that they face the sun continuously. He has claimed that this enhances the energy output from the solar panels by about 35-40%. Such tracking systems use motors and electronic circuits and consume a part of the power generated from the solar panels.

At present simple manual tracking systems which consume no energy are already in use in India especially in solar photovoltaic (PV) water pumping systems. These tracking systems are capable of generating about 25-30% extra power compared to the fixed type solar panels. In general tracking systems are not considered very useful for small capacity PV lighting systems normally in use in rural areas.

Export of Steel Wares

6575.SHRI T. GOVINDAN: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the total quantity of Steel Wares exported and the foreign exchange earned therefrom during each of the last three years, country-wise;
- (b) the details of the countries identified for export of steel wares; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to boost the export of steel wares during the current year and the Ninth plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI BOLLA BULLI RAMAIAH): (a) The